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## **Indy Prepares for Another Round of Dangerous Cold** ***Marion Co. on Yellow Travel Advisory***

INDIANAPOLIS – Mayor Greg Ballard and city leaders today urged Indy residents to prepare for the next round of subzero temperatures. Sunday's forecast calls for additional snow accumulation, followed by subzero temperatures Monday through Wednesday.

"Indy residents should use today and tomorrow to fill their gas tanks, get necessary supplies and check on their neighbors," Mayor Ballard said. "People should not travel early next week unless necessary due to the very dangerous temperatures."

Due to forecasted additional snow Sunday, the Indy Snow Force remains fully activated with 90 drivers working 12-hour shifts to ensure roads are as passable as possible before the severe cold hits. Residents are encouraged to take advantage of Sunday's warmer weather by clearing driveways, sidewalks and access ramps.

The Indy Snow Force reports having enough salt to handle the forecasted snowfall. The City is also helping other local government units with salt, as it can, during this harsh winter. The City is taking daily deliveries of salt. The Indy Snow Force has used more than 42,000 tons of salt so far this season, compared to 33,000 tons in a typical season.

During the cold temperatures, drivers should reduce their speed, allow ample time to reach destinations and give plows plenty of room on the roads.

The City is opening emergency shelters for the homeless and working with the Red Cross to provide shelter to people who might lose power or heat in their home. Indianapolis Power and Light does not anticipate widespread power outages, but does have crews ready to respond should power outages occur. Residents needing shelter should call 2-1-1. Residents may also call the IMPD non-emergency line at 327-3811 for assistance in non-emergency situations.

Marion County remains under a Travel Advisory (yellow), which urges people to use caution when traveling. The City will continue to monitor the weather and may issue a Travel Watch (Orange), urging people only to travel if necessary, should the road conditions and temperatures combined make it very dangerous for people to be on the road.

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